

BSP Desk Reference

30 Minute Training Guide

SECTION 6: Functional Factors Lines 8 & 9

Time	Description
5 minutes	What is in this section? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifying the functions of behavior Why is this important? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is critical to understand the function of a behavior in order to address the behavior All successful behavior plans address function and environment If one can identify the function of the inappropriate behavior you can identify a more appropriate replacement behavior
5 minutes	Rubric <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to E-F on pp. 11-12 of section 6 Key Elements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All behavior is purposeful Identifying a function is a conclusion about sustaining variables and how consequences are related to antecedents If you know the purpose you can identify another way for that need to be met Scoring Problems Seen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Function not related to predictors FERB does not meet same function of target behavior Identified function not a function i.e., laziness
15 minutes	Refer to Section 6, of The BSP Desk Reference for resources for Environmental Activity - The Function of Behavior Treasure Hunt Activity - Score Karl and rewrite as necessary
5 minutes	Questions/Comments

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Why?		
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What?		
When?		
How?		

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Why?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> p. 2 – last paragraph p.7 – last paragraph 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Ultimately, we want the student to not use problem behavior, but rather use all appropriate, socially acceptable positive behaviors associate with academic and school success...” ““The goal of behavioral assessment: is to ‘identify a better way for an individual to get the same function met through alternative acceptable method, or; identify methods of removing the need for student behavior by environmental changes””
Who?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> p.2 – second to last paragraph 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “The BSP team’s task; Identify the function, teach a FERB and reinforce the student’s conditional use of this FERB (ie., under conditions student would sue the problem behavior, the FERB is used instead.”
What?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> p.2 – second paragraph pp. 5-8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “All behavior, whether desirable or undesirable to those around the person, serves one of two functions for the individual:...”
When?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> p. 2 – 3rd bullet p. 2 – 4th bullet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Problem behaviors have often developed as a reaction to environmental demands which have overwhelmed a student’s coping system.” “Problem behaviors continue and generalize over time because they work. Remember, these problem behaviors help the student achieve a desirable outcome.”
How?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> p. 7 – second paragraph 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “The team will need to: ask questions, observe, use data collection/interview forms. Consider the antecedents, consequences and contributing environmental factors.”